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Also, Rum by the Hogshead, Barrel and Keg; Loaf and Muscovado Sugar; Molasses, Gin, per Pipe; 6 Pipes Claret; for Sale as above, or by the Quantity.

GOLD,

BOUGHT on Easton's Point, by Colonel the Honorable JOHN BROWN, Esquire, and Messrs. Brown & Ives, and Messrs. Nightingale, Providence; Messrs. Thomas Arnold, Jun. & Co. Providence; Messrs. Peleg Arnold & Co. Providence; Messrs. Jabez Bowen & Co. Providence; Messrs. Nightingale & Phillips, Providence; Messrs. Wheaton & Olney, Providence; Messrs. Thomas Wilkinson & Co. Providence; Messrs. Benjamin Wheaton & Co. Providence; Messrs. Wheaton & Rhodes, Providence; Messrs. Wheaton & Fales, Providence; Messrs. Daniel Lyman & Co. Providence; Messrs. Daniel Lyman & Son, Providence; Messrs. Thomas Wilkinson

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New-England Rum by the Hogshead or Cargo, on short Notice; Molasses, per Hogshead; Holland Gin, per Pipe; 6 by 8, and 7 by 9, Window Glass; superfine and fine Flour; Salt by the Quantity; Lead by the Ton.

Newport, 25th Feb. 1799.

TO BE SOLD,

THE FERRY on Easton's Point (commonly called the Point-Ferry) and the Ferry answering to it on Connanicut; together with the two Boats, Wharves, Stores, Buildings, and Land belonging to them. At the Point-Ferry, there are two Wharves, with a Range of Stores on each of them, and a Ferry-House, with a Garden belonging to it:—Also, a large House-Lot, adjoining the Wanton-Gate, having a Front of 59 Feet, and running about 115 Feet in Depth.——On the Conanicut Side, besides the Wharf, there is a large convenient Ferry-House, finely built, and in perfect Repair, with Three Acres of good Land belonging to it. The above Property will be sold upon reasonable Terms, by

CHRISTOPHER G. CHAMPLIN.

Newport, Feb 12, 1799.

From the Commercial Gazette.

Mr. Russell,

THE nomination of Mr. Murray to receive proposals from, and enter upon a negotiation with the government of France, on the terms mentioned in the President's message to the Senate, cannot be considered as any abandonment of the ground we have taken, or as a reason for relaxation in that system, which has produced such salutary effects to our country. To appoint a minister to treat with a nation, against whom active and powerful arrangements are making, is by no means new in the history of the world; even in the midst of war such is often the case, and before it is terminated, must always be, unless the result is unconditional conquest. The war between the United States and Great Britain, furnishes an instance exactly to our purpose. On Saturday the 25th of September, 1779, Congress resolved to appoint a minister, and on Monday the 27th the Hon. John Adams was elected, to negociate a treaty of peace with Great-Britain, and immediately embarked for Europe on that mission. Yet the war was continued as before, and even the provisional articles of peace were not agreed to till December 1782, upwards of three years after; and the definitive treaty was not signed till a still later period.

The President of the United States, in his speech at the opening of the present session of Congress, speaking of France, makes the following declaration: "*I deem* "*it a duty deliberately and solemnly to de-*"*clare my opinion, that whether we nego-*"*tiate with her or not, vigorous prepara-*"*tions for war will be alike indispensable.*"*These alone will give to us an equal trea-*"*ty, and insure to us its observance.*"—The House of Representatives, in their answer, thus energetically reciprocate, after approbating among other measures a naval armament: "nor do we hesitate to adopt "the opinion, that whether negotiations "are resumed with France or not, vigorous "preparations for war will be alike indis-"pensable." After this solemn pledge of the House to the President, and their country, can it for a moment be supposed, that upon a mere glimpse of negotiation, they will relinquish those "vigorous preparations?" No! a few trimming go-betweens, whose votes upon any occasion are scarcely worth having, may make it a plea for siding with the opposition; but the majority, men who are devoted to the independence and prosperity of their country, will never resort to so despicable a subterfuge.

A peace between the belligerent powers may, in consequence of some particular concurrence of circumstances, be hastily concluded. The distance of America from Europe, renders it necessary that she should have an agent there on the spot, authorized to act for her in such a contingency, to assert her claims, demand redress for her wrongs, and avail himself of different conjunctures.

AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE.

CHARACTER OF THE FRENCH.

From "Taurien; or Sketches of the Times," from the brilliant pen of Mr. D'Israeli.]

WE cannot acquire the volatilised delicacy, the lighter graces, and the susceptible and feminine imagination of the French.

Redoubtable they are in politics, for they execute rapidly what they project incessantly; insidious in their professions; subtle in their hypocrisy, and sanguinary in their power. In France they feel to inexpressible delicacy, or to inconceivable horror; their individual murders have ever been characterized by peculiar and complex barbarity; impetuous feelings are fugitive, and take an opposite direction; they commit murder, and then inscribe it "*ici l'on danse.*" Women in all things, they are women in vengeance. Impatient of restraint, in war, a siege discourages and repels them; in peace, an orderly constitution could neither excite their love nor their reverence. Terrible in assault, contemptible in flight; vast in their projects, imbecile in their pursuits; capable of imagining all things, incapable of performing any. They triumph for a moment, and despair through a century. Of all nations, they alone have felt that calenture of political imagination, which has aspired to an universal monarchy, or an universal republic; but they have never known that British vigour of judgment, which could form for Englishmen the most perfect constitution humanity can suffer. When the French were slaves, us they reverenced; when free, us they imitated; now licentious, they envy and they hate. Europe they may afflict with continued revolutions, yet may their designs be frustrated; one revolution was sufficient for the English. Dangerous rivals, for they address themselves to the imagination; they seduce the eye and inflame the heart; they mingle prominent virtues, which conceal their radical viciousness; incapable of perserverance, but they will perish in their cause, if destruction comes rapidly; they will declaim on freedom, when they exercise tyranny; revere the humanity of peace, while their hand is armed with death; they will reform prejudices, while they introduce prejudices still more calamitous; they term themselves citizens of the world, while they fly from place to place, and only leave in their career the memory of their desolations.—They come to destroy or to be destroyed—to fraternize with them, were to embrace and perish.

SELECTIONS from late London Papers.

On Thursday a grand match of ploughing against time was performed between the oxen belonging to his Majesty, and a set of four which Lord Somerville brought with the plough from Somesetshire. The ground measured for the purpose, was half an acre. Lord Somerville's oxen started first, and performed it in an hour and 20 minutes. The machine went over two furrows at a time.

His Majesty's oxen were then put to the plough, (six in number) but they lost the match by 40 minutes, performing it in two hours.

The right of Norfolk farm, in the Great Park, Windsor, where the ground is heavy, was fixed upon for the enterprize.

The Duke of Clarence, Prince Ernest, Lord Walsingham, Generals Harcourt and De Budie, with a number of gentlemen farmers, round the country, were spectators.

Lord Somerville's oxen went off yesterday to Suffex to plough a match against time. The machine they draw the plough in, is of a very curious construction.

Mr. Samuel Cutler, who lately died at Worcester, in the 72d year of his age, was a native of Dantsick, and formerly one of the partners in the Banking-house of Sir G. Colebrooke and Co. He had lived in a very singular manner for the last nine years. During that period he actually lead the life of the most rigid Hermit, in the midst of that extensive and populous city. He entirely immured himself in his apartment, which he never suffered a second person to enter; his victuals, chiefly bread and milk, were regularly brought to his door at stated hours by his laundress, from whence he took them in; he had no bed, but reposed in an armed chair at night, which was the only one in the room; and he constuntly kept a large candle lighted on a table. His chief anxiety appeared to be, to exclude the daylight, to which end he always kept the shutters closed, and all the chinks, &c. carefully stopped.

La Fayette still continues to lead a retired life, in the county of Holstein, near Plœn, on an estate which belongs to one of his wife's relations. He is said to have abandoned the idea of going to America, in consequence of the political disagreement between that country and France.—Dumourier lives very near him; but there subsists no intimacy between them, though Dumourier made overtures for that purpose.

In a pamphlet which lately appeared in the French and English languages, under the title "*Address to the Sovereigns of Europe,*" the amount of all the property in Europe, taken by the French, without the limits of their territories, until the end of 1797, is estimated at 42,293 millions and 334 livres.

Holland is in danger of inundation from the dikes, as they have not been repaired since the beginning of the revolution.—According to the last accounts from France, the Dikes of Dol, in Britanny, were broken down by the sea; an immense extent of country was inundated, a great number of cattle and houses swept all away, and about 10,000 families reduced to the utmost misery, without any habitation and resource. This misfortune arose from the dikes having been neglected for these eight years past all over France, to which cause are likewise to be imputed the same disasters that have befallen Morbihan and La Vendee, and the banks of the Lower Loire. The public roads, which formerly were an object of admiration to all foreigners, are now nearly impassable. We speak here, only of physical disasters; for to enumerate all the moral diforders, murder, assassinations, suicides, &c. would be an endless labour.

A quarrel of a very serious nature lately took place at Cork, which terminated in much blood being spilled on both sides, between the yeomen of that city and the Hessians quartered there. It originated with one of the Hessians, who offered some violence to a woman, which was resented by a yeoman, who shot the fellow on the spot; this brought forward a number of his comrades to resent it.

In the East-India seas, and on their passage thither, are 40 ships of war, 9 of which are ships of the line, and 13 frigates. In the Mediterranean there are now also 64 British ships of war, whereof 32 are ships of the line, and 19 frigates.

GENERAL TARLETON.

This gallant officer, whom, we understand Mr. Pitt has at length condescended to employ, acknowledging him to be one of the most able officers in the British service, is on the point of leading to the Hymenial Altar Miss Bertie, a most accomplished and beautiful young lady, possessing, according to report, a fortune of twenty thousand pounds. The General met his intended bride, for the first time, only a few weeks ago, at the house, we believe, of Lord Cholmondely. An attachment immediately ensued; and a few days afterwards, General T. made proposals of marriage, which were instantly accepted; and this *enfant cheri des dames* may justly say *vini, vidi, vici.* The union is to take place on Monday next; soon after which, the General and his lady will go to Lisbon, where he is to take the command of the British troops now stationed in the kingdom of Portugal, in the room of General Stuart, who is to remain at Minorca, as Governor of that island.

December 13.

The late discovery of Dr. Perkins, of North-America, of the Metallic Tractors, is exciting much attention on the Continent. Several of the Physicians and Lecturers at Copenhagen, have recently been employed in investigating this subject; and for that purpose, instituted a series of experiments on various subjects in the Hospitals of Copenhagen, the result of which was communicated to Professors Herholdt and Rafn, who have just presented them to the Public, in a pamphlet of 120 pages.—Of twelve medical men, who communicated their experiments, one only, Professor Tode, is opposed to the practice.—The Editors, Messrs. Herholdt and Rafn, after citing these various experiments, which, together with their own, amount to about a hundred in number, conclude—"We do not find it possible to apply with any justice against Perkinism, those arguments and doubts which have been raised against Magnetism. If our experiments have not all been so successful as the American ones, they demonstrate however, to our satisfaction, that *there is much reality at bottom,* and that it is of importance to the Physician; and, as our Abilgard* has justly observed, it merits particularly the whole attention of the Physiologist." This work

* *Professor and first Lecturer in the Veterinary College, who has published his theory of Perkinism, which he accounts for on the principles of Galvanism and Electricity.*

ſ: tranſlated from the Daniſh into the German. The ſcience they term PERKINISM, in honor to the diſcoverer. The diſeaſes in which they found Perkiniſm moſt ſucceſsful, were rheumatic and gouty affections.

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A curious circumſtance took place at Diſſington, on the night of the illumination: one George Jefferſon, an Engliſhmen of the old ſtock, (and not leſs than 80 years old) was arouſed from his bed by the noiſe of muſkets firing, &c. and being informed of the cauſe, at his requeſt, he was put into a cart and drawn through the town, preceded by a band of muſic, playing *God ſave the King, Rule Britannia, &c.* He earneſtly requeſted that the muſkets, piſtols, &c. might be fired cloſe to him, that he might *hear* them the better: in conſequence of which his grey locks were twice on fire; and he was in danger of *expiring in a flame of loyalty!*—However, the jolly veteran eſcaped, and recounted the next day, with as much ſpirit as the youngeſt of the cavalcade, the glorious exultation of the former night.

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Our letters from the Cape of Good Hope repreſent the Garriſon to be in an improving ſtate, as to ſupplies of proviſions, and the diſpoſition of the inhabitants in the interior towards the Britiſh troops. The *Hottentot* Ladies are much pleaſed with the dreſs, and manners of our Officers, and have aſſumed the *ſhort waiſt* and *ſash* in compliment to Engliſh taſte: this, indeed, makes rather a ridiculous diſplay, particularly in their *dancing*, of which the *ſofter ſex* of this clime are remarkably fond; our correſpondent reports them *light of foot* only, for he formed one of a dancing groupe of [illegible] the night before he wrote, the [illegible] one of which, weighed 18 ſtone [illegible] Engliſhman's weight.

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General Stupa was told by one of the [illegible] Louis the Fourteenth's inſolent miniſters, that if all the money the Swiſs had received from the French were collected together, it would pave the road from Paris to Berne. "Yes Sir," replied Stuppa; "and, if all the blood which the Swiſs have ſhed in the ſervice of the French were collected together, it would cover all that pavement many inches in depth."

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A highly eſteemed work has lately been publiſhed, entitled "The purſuits of Literature, a Satirical Poem in Four Dialogues —with Notes," which has paſſed through *ſeven editions* in the courſe of one year.—The general ſubject is *Literature* with criticiſms upon the various productions of the preſent age; he is particularly ſevere on Volney's *Ruins*, and the novel or romance called the Monk, written by Mr. Lewis: The notes in this work, form the chief part: This method is choſen by the author, as he thinks that "in the preſent change of manners, opinions, government and learning, a variation is now required in the mode of conducting ſatirical writing, by calling in the reciprocal aid of poetry and proſe in the ſame work."

WILMINGTON *(N. C.)* Jan. 17.

On the 9th inſt. arrived in this port the ſchooner Adams, of Newbury-port, Nicholas Pierce, maſter, in 28 days from Cayenne, having on board Citizen Rouſtagneuq, chief adminiſtrator of the Navy, and Citizen Paupe, as priſoners.

Capt. Pierce relates that he was captured on his paſſage from Newbury-port to Surinam, by a French privateer, and carried into Cayenne, where his veſſel and cargo were condemned; that he afterwards purchaſed the veſſel, and received thoſe two French citizens on board as paſſengers, to be landed at St. Bartholomews; but apprehenſive of again becoming a prize to a French pirate, ſhould he touch at that iſland, he concluded to conſult his own ſafety in the beſt manner he could, and proceed ſtraight for the continent. He repreſents the conduct of the French to the Americans carried into Cayenne as very ſevere, and ſuch as could not be juſtified, even if America was at open war with that nation; and ſtates, that this citizen Rouſtagneuq, had in his official capacity been the inſtrument of condemning his veſſel and many others, and that the moſt frivolous pretexts were made uſe of to juſtify ſuch proceedings.

The relation of citizen Rouſtagneuq differs materially from that of Capt. Pierce. He ſays, that after condemnation of the ſchooner, he himſelf purchaſed her for 300 dollars, and agreed with the Captain that he ſhould command her, and land him in St. Bartholomews, and on their arrival [illegible] have the veſſel for two-thirds ſaid [illegible] money; and that in conſequence [illegible], he empowered Capt. Pierce to take [illegible] all the American priſoners in Cayenne, and provided the veſſel for the voyage—that after they had got to ſea, the [illegible] took from him the bill of ſale of the veſſel, one hundred guineas in caſh, great part of his own wearing apparel, his gold watch, &c. and the chief of the wearing apparel of his fellow paſſenger; and inſtead of touching at St. Bartholomews according to his engagement, and landing them there, brought them here as priſoners. He does not deny that he was the chief officer of the Admiralty Adminiſtration, but ſays his conduct was conformable to the orders of his government, and that he ſhould not be perſonally amenable in this country for it.

On theſe two accounts we ſhall make no comment, as probably they will be a matter of legal inveſtigation.

February 14.

FLAG OF TRUCE.

Monday laſt arrived in this port the French brig James, commanded by citizen Blouch, midſhipman of the navy, expedited from Guadaloupe under a flag of truce. This veſſel had on board one hundred American citizens to be transferred to the United States, 43 of whom remained at St. Thomas, where ſhe had occaſion to touch; on the paſſage, 9 went on board of the ſhip Fame at ſea, bound to Boſton, 17 landed at Fort Johnſon, and the remainder came up in ſaid brig to this town, among whom are 16 of the marines of the United States ſchooner Retaliation.

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PHILADELPHIA, March 8.

The Retaliation, we learn, has been rendered up, to the French officer who came here in her.

The French priſoners at Lancaſter, it is ſaid, are to be ſent out to the Weſt-Indies in the Retaliation.

March 9.

Capt. Wyeth, of the barque Pallas, ſailed from the Cove of Cork on the 1ſt January, and brings a further confirmation of the entire tranquility of Ireland. He has brought out 74 paſſengers, all of whom are from Belfaſt, except one.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

March 5th, 1799.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That by an act of Congreſs paſſed the 28th day of February, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine, the following alterations and amendments have been made to an act paſſed on the 6th day of July, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſeven, intitled "an act laying duties upon ſtamped vellum, parchment, and paper."

I.

The Stamp Duties heretofore impoſed upon Foreign Bills of Exchange, and Bills of Lading, are to ceaſe and determine, from and after the 31ſt day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine.

The ſeveral Stamp Duties hereafter enumerated, will be levied and collected throughout the United States, from and after the 31ſt day of March, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine.

II.

For every ſkin, or piece of Vellum or Parchment, or ſheet or piece of Paper, upon which ſhall be written or printed, either of the inſtruments or writings following, *to wit.*

	Dolls. Cts.
Any foreign Bill of Exchange, draft or order, for the payment of money in any foreign country,	20
Any Note or Bill of Lading, or writing or receipt in nature thereof, for goods or merchandize to be exported;—if from one diſtrict to another diſtrict of the United States, not being in the ſame State,	4
If from the United States to any foreign port or place,	10
Any Policy of Inſurance, or inſtrument in the nature thereof, other than thoſe heretofore ſpecified in the above recited Act, when the ſum inſured ſhall not exceed five hundred dollars,	25
When the ſum inſured ſhall exceed five hundred dollars,	1

And the ſaid duties are chargeable upon each and every Bill of Exchange and Bill of Lading, without reſpect to the number contained in each ſet.

III.

Bonds required in any caſe by the Laws of the United States, or of any State, upon legal proceſs, or in any judicial proceeding, or for the faithful performance of any truſt or duty, are exempt from the payment of Stamp duties.

Given under my hand at Philadelphia, the day and year above mentioned.

OLIVER WOLCOTT,
Secretary of the Treaſury.

March 7.

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This Winter ſeems to have no end. The Snow covers the ground; the Delaware is filled with ice and nearly frozen over, and the water freezes in the houſe.—We have had four months and ten days dead winter. Since the 18th of October, there have not been above *ſix days* fit for *ploughing.*

March 12.

VIRGINIA RESOLUTIONS.

On Saturday laſt, the Governor communicated to the Senate and Houſe of Repreſentatives of this State, certain reſolutions (which have heretofore appeared in this paper) from the Legiſlature of Virginia, reprobating the adminiſtration of the Federal government. The Senate ordered them *to be thrown under the table;* and the following reſolution was yeſterday adopted by the Houſe of Repreſentatives, viz.

"Reſolved, That it is the opinion of this Houſe, that the principles contained in the Reſolutions of the Legiſlature of Virginia, relative to certain meaſures of the General Government, are calculated to excite unwarrantable diſcontents, and to deſtroy the very exiſtence of our government, they ought to be, and they are hereby rejected."——Yeas, 43—Nays, 25.

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ANOTHER INSURRECTION

Has broken out in the Weſtern part of this State, which bears a more ſerious and formidable aſpect, than that of Gallatin and the other patriots in the mountains.

That active and ſpirited officer, Col. William Nichols, Marſhal, of the Diſtrict of Pennſylvania, returned yeſterday to the city, from a journey to Northhampton county, and immediately laid before the Preſident a detail of recent tranſactions there, of which the following we believe, will be found to be a correct outline:

A very ſerious oppoſition to the laws, had for ſome time manifeſted itſelf in the rebellious county of Northampton, and it became neceſſary for the Marſhal to aſſert the authority of government. He accordingly proceeded to the ſcene of inſurrection, and arreſted 23 perſons, for ſundry acts of reſiſtance to the operation of the law impoſing a tax on houſes. The Marſhal had taken recognizances of the priſoners, and they ſubmitted to his authority with apparent acquieſcence.

On Friday evening, the Marſhal with 19 of the arreſted perſons, being at the tavern of Abraham Levering, in Bethlehem, a body of horſe, to the number of ſixty, well armed, and part of them in uniform, beſet the houſe, and reſcued the priſoners. The party was compoſed of militia from the counties of Bucks, Montgomery and Northampton, and commanded by a fellow who bears a captain's commiſſion in the militia of Montgomery county; he is a German, of the name of Fries. The Marſhal narrowly eſcaped ſevere perſonal violence, if not aſſaſſination.

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WILMINGTON *(N. C.)* Jan. 17.

On the 9th inſt. arrived in this port the ſchooner Adams, of Newbury-port, Nicholas Pierce, maſter, in 28 days from Cayenne, having on board Citizen Rouſtagneuq, chief adminiſtrator of the Navy, and Citizen Paupe, as priſoners.

Capt. Pierce relates that he was captured on his paſſage from Newbury-port to Surinam, by a French privateer, and carried into Cayenne, where his veſſel and cargo were condemned; that he afterwards purchaſed the veſſel, and received thoſe two French citizens on board as paſſengers, to be landed at St. Bartholomews; but apprehenſive of again becoming a prize to a French pirate, ſhould he touch at that iſland, he concluded to conſult his own ſafety in the beſt manner he could, and proceed ſtraight for the continent. He repreſents the conduct of the French to the Americans carried into Cayenne as very ſevere, and ſuch as could not be juſtified, even if America was at open war with that nation; and ſtates, that this citizen Rouſtagneuq, had in his official capacity been the inſtrument of condemning his veſſel and many others, and that the moſt frivolous pretexts were made uſe of to juſtify ſuch proceedings.

The relation of citizen Rouſtagneuq differs materially from that of Capt. Pierce. He ſays, that after condemnation of the ſchooner, he himſelf purchaſed her for 300 dollars, and agreed with the Captain that he ſhould command her, and land him in St. Bartholomews, and on their arrival there, have the veſſel for two-thirds ſaid purchaſe money; and that in conſequence thereof, he empowered Capt. Pierce to take on board all the American priſoners in Cayenne, and provided the veſſel for the voyage; that after they had got to ſea, the Captain took from him the bill of ſale of the veſſel, one hundred guineas in caſh, great part of his own wearing apparel, his gold watch, &c. and the chief of the wearing apparel of his fellow paſſenger; and inſtead of touching at St. Bartholomews according to his engagement, and landing them there, brought them here as priſoners. He does not deny that he was the chief officer of the Admiralty Adminiſtration, but ſays his conduct was conformable to the orders of his government, and that he ſhould not be perſonally amenable in this country for it.

On theſe two accounts we ſhall make no comment, as probably they will be a matter of legal inveſtigation.

February 14.

FLAG OF TRUCE.

Monday laſt arrived in this port the French brig James, commanded by citizen Blouch, midſhipman of the navy, expedited from Guadaloupe under a flag of truce. This veſſel had on board one hnndred American citizens to be transferred to the United States, 43 of whom remained at St. Thomas, where ſhe had occaſion to touch; on the paſſage, 9 went on board of the ſhip Fame at ſea, bound to Boſton, 17 landed at Fort Johnſon, and the remainder came up in ſaid brig to this town, among whom are 16 of the marines of the United States ſchooner Retaliation.

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PHILADELPHIA, March 8.

The Retaliation, we learn, has been rendered up, to the French officer who came here in her.

The French priſoners at Lancaſter, it is ſaid, are to be ſent out to the Weſt-Indies in the Retaliation.

March 9.

Capt. Wyeth, of the barque Pallas, ſailed from the Cove of Cork on the 1ſt January, and brings a further confirmation of the entire tranquility of Ireland. He has brought out 74 paſſengers, all of whom are from Belfaſt, except one.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That by an act of Congreſs paſſed the 28th day of February, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-nine, the following alterations and amendments have been made to an act paſſed on the 6th day of July, one thouſand ſeven hundred and ninety-ſeven, intitled "an act laying duties upon ſtamped vellum, parchment, and paper."

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Given under my hand at Philadelphia, the day and year above mentioned.

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This Winter ſeems to have no end. The Snow covers the ground; the Delaware is filled with ice and nearly frozen over, and the water freezes in the houſe.—We have had four months and ten days dead winter. Since the 18th of October, there have not been above *ſix days* fit for *ploughing*.

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VIRGINIA RESOLUTIONS.

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Sloop Sally, of this port, Morris, master, from the West-Indies, in one of the late snow storms, ran on Block-Island:—The cargo saved, and it is expected will be got off.

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The planetary ſphere
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And worlds, on worlds, 'thro' Heaven's expanſe,
That roll in order there.

But how a ſingle *graſs* doth grow,
A *cherry* ripen—*lily* blow,
To him is quite unknown;
Yet full of pride—temerity,
Nature's grand ſcheme he would deſcry,
So wond'rous learned grown.

By laws, his own, deſtroyeth worlds,
Or new ones into ether hurls;
Pervades with piercing eye
All things in heaven, in air, on earth,
What *cauſe* gives each *effect* its birth,
Tho' plann'd by the *Moſt High*.

But how his feet obey his will,
At his command move, or ſtand ſtill,
He knows not; yet would tell,
Such his preſumptuous confidence,
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Where ſituated *Hell*.

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Paſt, preſent, future, underſtands,
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Himſelf—or how the ſenſe retains,
Of feeling pleaſures, fears, or pains,
Or doth exiſt, and grow.

Go wond'rous creature! to be good
Firſt learn! go give the hungry food,
And clothe the naked poor!
Go—cheriſh worth—true merit prize,
Thy country's happineſs deviſe,
Theſe, theſe, are in thy power.

This done—of Nature's ſecret rare,
Take to the full—thy allotted ſhare;
But what was predeſign'd
Too vaſt for thee, by heaven's high will,
Superior to all human ſkill,
Leave to the Eternal Mind.

To whom Creation does belong,
Who made *all right*, and *nothing wrong*,
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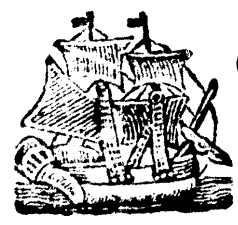

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WINTER GOODS.

STEPHEN T. NORTHAM

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A Large Aſſortment of GOODS:—Alſo, a freſh Supply of Engliſh Morocco SHOES.

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A Lot of Land containing about Five and an Half Acres Meadow, adjacent to the Rope-Walk of Francis Brinley, Eſq;—This Lot, if not ſold at private Sale before the 23d March next, will then be ſold at Auction. For Terms apply to

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Has for Sale, for Caſh, or on a reaſonable Credit, with approved Notes, payable at the Bank of Rhode-Iſland,

GOOD retailing Surinam and Havanna Molaſſes, by the Hogſhead, Tierce or Barrel, old 3d Proof Windward-Iſland Rum; New-England Rum by the Hogſhead or Barrel; brown and white Sugar, by the Barrel and Box; Coffee, by the Barrel; and St. Martin's Rock Salt, by the Hundred Buſhels or leſs Quantity.

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To be Sold, by
SHEFFIELD ATTWOOD,

JAMAICA SPIRITS, by the Hogſhead or Barrel; Weſt-India and New-England RUM, by the Hogſhead or Barrel; BRANDY and GENEVA, by the Pipe or Barrel; MOLASSES, of an excellent Quality, ſuitable for Retailing, by the Hogſhead or Barrel; Hyſon and Bohea TEA, by the Dozen, or Pound; FLOUR, BEEF, and RICE, by the Barrel, or Tierce; Meſs Pork by the Barrel; Pork 1½ Hog to the Barrel; Pork, 1 Hog to the Barrel; He can ſupply any Perſon, who may want to Purchaſe a large or ſmall Quantity of Pork of the above Deſcription; and alſo with a Quantity of Beef.

He carries on the Baking Buſineſs in all its various Branches, and has on Hand, a Quantity of Ship and Cabin Bread, cheaper than any imported of equal Quality.—He gives the higheſt Price for Old Gold and Silver.

Newport, Feb. 18, 1799.

WINTER GOODS.

STEPHEN T. NORTHAM

Informs his Friends, That he has Received and juſt Opened, at his Store, oppoſite Mr. THOMAS GREEN'S,

A Large Aſſortment of GOODS: —Alſo, a freſh Supply of Engliſh Morocco SHOES.

RICE by the Caſk, or larger Quantity for Sale.

Newport, Feb. 18, 1799.

PURSUANT to the laſt Will and Teſtament of JOSEPH ANTHONY, Eſq, deceaſed, and by Virtue of a Letter of Attorney from the Executors to ſaid Will, the following real Eſtate of the ſaid Joſeph Anthony, deceaſed, will be ſold, viz.

A Lot of Land containing about Five and an Half Acres Meadow, adjacent to the Rope-Walk of Francis Brinley, Eſq;—This Lot, if not ſold at private Sale before the 23d March next, will then be ſold at Auction. For Terms apply to

GIBBS & CHANNING.

Newport, Feb. 4, 1799.

SIMEON MARTIN

Has for Sale, for Caſh, or on a reaſonable Credit, with approved Notes, payable at the Bank of Rhode-Iſland,

GOOD retailing Surinam and Havanna Molaſſes, by the Hogſhead, Tierce or Barrel; old 3d Proof Windward-Iſland Rum; New-England Rum by the Hogſhead or Barrel; brown and white Sugar, by the Barrel and Box; Coffee, by the Barrel; and St. Martin's Rock Salt, by the Hundred Buſhels or leſs Quantity.

Newport, October 8, 1798.

C. FOWLER & Company,

Have for Sale at their Stores on Mr. Langley's Wharf.

BOURDEAUX, Alicant and Spaniſh Brandy—Jamaica Spirits—Weſt-India and New-England Rum—Beſt Holland Geneva—Madeira, Sherry, Liſbon, and Malaga Wines—Loaf, powdered and brown Sugars—Gunpowder Tea—Hyſon and Souſhong Do.—Nutmegs, Mace, Cinnamon, Cloves, Pepper and Pimento—Molaſſes—Chocolate—New-York Soap—freſh Raiſins—Starch—Negro Head Tobacco—Nails—Iron Shovels, and Window Glaſs.

Alſo, Ruſſia and Ravens Duck—Cordage—Red, green, and blue Morocco Skins—A freſh Supply of Superfine and Common FLOUR, in Barrels and Half-Barrels—and a few Barrels firſt Quality Cabin-Bread—The above Articles will be ſold at the loweſt Rates per Quantity, and on reaſonable Terms.

Newport, 11th February, 1799.

BENJAMIN CHURCH & CO.

Have juſt received, and for Sale,

A FRESH Supply of excellent French and Spaniſh Brandy, 2d and 3d Proof; real Amſterdam Geneva; Jamaica Spirits; St. Croix and Antigua Rum and a few Puncheons of old Bengal Spirits, of a ſuperior Quality.

All of which will be diſpoſed of, on very low Terms, either by the Hogſhead or Barrel, or leſs Quantity, as may beſt ſuit the Purchaſer.

Alſo Molaſſes, by the Hogſhead or Barrel; Brown Sugar by the Hogſhead or Barrel; Bohea Tea, by the Cheſt or Dozen; Souchong Tea, by the Dozen or Pound; and a Variety of other Articles in the Grocery Line.

Newport, Feb. 18, 1799.

ROBERT LAWTON

Informs his Friends, Old Cuſtomers, and the Public at large, that he has juſt received, and has for Sale, as cheap as at any Store in Newport,

A FRESH Supply of ENGLISH GOODS, ſuitable for the Seaſon, conſiſting of Superfine and Second Broadcloaths and Caſſimeres; a great Variety of Fancy Veſting; Coatings; Baizes; Flannels; Elaſticks and Plains; Calicoes and Chintzes; Sattins; Modes; Luteſtrings; Tiffanies; Ladies Satin, Beaver, and common Hats; and a great Variety of other Articles.

Newport, Feb. 18, 1799.

NEW GOODS.

JOHN BOURS, jun.

Reſpectfully informs his FRIENDS, and the PUBLIC in general,

That he has juſt received, at his STORE, *oppoſite General* MARTIN'S,

A Beautiful Aſſortment of the moſt faſhionable DRY GOODS, which he is determined to ſell very low.

J. B. jun. returns his Thanks to his Cuſtomers, and requeſts a Continuance of their Favours.

Newport, Feb. 12, 1799.